



**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Doane Valley Reservoir Excess Soil Removal (Project ID No. PMSP 179)

**LOCATION:** Palomar Mountain State Park  
**COUNTY:** San Diego

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** The Palomar Mountain Doane Valley 100,000 gallon below ground reservoir with above ground roof has soil excess migrating to the northeast corner of the structure. California Department of Water Boards Drinking Water Division stated in an inspection to have the excess soil removed to avoid structural compromise near the wood frame support. The excess soils were from the initial excavation over 70 years ago from the spoils during the reservoir construction. The amount of soil removal is approximately 2.3 cubic yards. This material will be placed within the park across from Doane Valley campground site #2 where there is erosion drop off from the asphalt roadway. This additional soil will help restore road edge integrity.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Colorado Desert District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))  
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))  
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section )  
☒ Categorical Exemption  
Class: 1 Section: 15301

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA § 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including revisions provided by CDPR staff, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 - Existing Facilities. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Utility repairs or minor upgrades" (Class 1, Section 15301);

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